

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Multiple sheets used when necessary)

SHEET 1 OF 7

Application No.	10/575,875
Filing Date	February 1, 2007
First Named Inventor	Patrick Lewis Blott
Art Unit	3761
Examiner	Ilya Y. Treyger
Attorney Docket No.	SMNPH.004APC

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials	Cite No.	Document Number <i>Number - Kind Code (if known)</i> Example: 1,234,567 B1	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant	Pages, Columns, Lines Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
	1	6,110,197	08/29/2000	Augustine et al.	
	2	6,626,827	09/30/2003	Felix et al.	
	3	6,685,681	02/03/2004	Lockwood et al.	
	4	6,752,794 B2	06/22/2004	Lockwood et al.	
	5	6,755,807	06/29/2004	Risk et al.	
	6	7,195,624	03/27/2007	Lockwood	
	7	7,361,184	04/22/2008	Joshi	
	8	7,524,315 (SMNPH.002APC)	04/28/2009	Blott et al.	
	9	7,534,927	05/19/2007	Lockwood	
	10	7,540,848	06/02/2009	Hannigan et al.	
	11	2001/0034499	10/25/2001	Sessions et al.	
	12	2003/0108587	06/12/2003	Orgill et al.	
	13	U.S. App. No. 12/416,829 U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 12/416,829, filed April 1, 2009, and its ongoing prosecution history, including without limitation Office Actions, Amendments, Remarks, and any other potentially relevant documents (SMNPH.002C1)	04/01/2009	Dagger	
	14	2007/0141128 U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 10/576,263, filed November 9, 2006, published as 2007/0141128, and its ongoing prosecution history, including without limitation Office Actions, Amendments, Remarks, and any other potentially relevant documents (SMNPH.003APC)	06/21/2007	Blott et al.	

Examiner Signature	Date Considered
<p>*Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.</p>	

T¹ - Place a check mark in this area when an English language Translation is attached.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT		Application No.	10/575,875
		Filing Date	February 1, 2007
		First Named Inventor	Patrick Lewis Blott
		Art Unit	3761
(Multiple sheets used when necessary)		Examiner	Ilya Y. Treyger
SHEET 2 OF 7		Attorney Docket No.	SMNPH.004APC

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials	Cite No.	Document Number Number - Kind Code (if known) Example: 1,234,567 B1	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant	Pages, Columns, Lines Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
	15	2007/0167926 U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 10/575,871, filed January 29, 2007, published as 2007/0167926, and its ongoing prosecution history, including without limitation Office Actions, Amendments, Remarks, and any other potentially relevant documents (SMNPH.005APC)	07/19/2007	Blott et al.	
	16	2007/0066945 U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 10/575,870, filed April 17, 2006, published as 2007/0066945, and its ongoing prosecution history, including without limitation Office Actions, Amendments, Remarks, and any other potentially relevant documents (SMNPH.006APC)	03/22/2007	Martin	
	17	2008/0294127 U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 11,957,860, filed December 12, 2007, published as 2008/0294127, and its ongoing prosecution history, including without limitation Office Actions, Amendments, Remarks, and any other potentially relevant documents (SMNPH.007C1)	11/27/2008	Blott et al.	

Examiner Signature	Date Considered
<p>*Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.</p>	

T¹ - Place a check mark in this area when an English language Translation is attached.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT		Application No.	10/575,875
		Filing Date	February 1, 2007
		First Named Inventor	Patrick Lewis Blott
		Art Unit	3761
(Multiple sheets used when necessary)		Examiner	Ilya Y. Treyger
SHEET 3 OF 7		Attorney Docket No.	SMNPH.004APC

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials	Cite No.	Document Number Number - Kind Code (if known) Example: 1,234,567 B1	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant	Pages, Columns, Lines Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
	18	2009/0012483 U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 10/599,722, filed September 19, 2008, published as 2009/0012483, and its ongoing prosecution history, including without limitation Office Actions, Amendments, Remarks, and any other potentially relevant documents (SMNPH.008APC)	01/08/2009	Blott et al.	
	19	2009/0069759 U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 10/599,725, filed September 22, 2008, published as 2009/0069759, and its ongoing prosecution history, including without limitation Office Actions, Amendments, Remarks, and any other potentially relevant documents (SMNPH.009APC)	03/12/2009	Blott et al.	
	20	2009/0054855 U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 10/599,728, filed November 3, 2008, published as 2009/0054855, and its ongoing prosecution history, including without limitation Office Actions, Amendments, Remarks, and any other potentially relevant documents (SMNPH.010APC)	02/26/2009	Blott et al.	

Examiner Signature	Date Considered
<p>*Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.</p>	

T¹ - Place a check mark in this area when an English language Translation is attached.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT		Application No.	10/575,875
		Filing Date	February 1, 2007
		First Named Inventor	Patrick Lewis Blott
		Art Unit	3761
(Multiple sheets used when necessary)		Examiner	Ilya Y. Treyger
SHEET 4 OF 7		Attorney Docket No.	SMNPH.004APC

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials	Cite No.	Document Number Number - Kind Code (if known) Example: 1,234,567 B1	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant	Pages, Columns, Lines Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
	21	U.S. App. No. 11/577,642 U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 11/577,642, filed August 23, 2007, published as 2007/0293830, and its ongoing prosecution history, including without limitation Office Actions, Amendments, Remarks, and any other potentially relevant documents (SMNPH.011APC)	12/20/2007	Martin	
	22	U.S. App. No. 11/919,355 U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 11/919,355, filed October 26, 2007, and its ongoing prosecution history, including without limitation Office Actions, Amendments, Remarks, and any other potentially relevant documents (SMNPH.014APC)	Filing Date 10/26/2007	Blott et al.	
	23	U.S. App. No. 11/919,369 U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 11/919,369, filed October 26, 2007, and its ongoing prosecution history, including without limitation Office Actions, Amendments, Remarks, and any other potentially relevant documents (SMNPH.015APC)	Filing Date 10/26/2007	Blott et al.	

Examiner Signature	Date Considered
<p>*Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.</p>	

T¹ - Place a check mark in this area when an English language Translation is attached.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT		Application No.	10/575,875
		Filing Date	February 1, 2007
		First Named Inventor	Patrick Lewis Blott
		Art Unit	3761
(Multiple sheets used when necessary)		Examiner	Ilya Y. Treyger
SHEET 5 OF 7		Attorney Docket No.	SMNPH.004APC

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials	Cite No.	Document Number <i>Number - Kind Code (if known)</i> Example: 1,234,567 B1	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant	Pages, Columns, Lines Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
	24	U.S. App. No. 11/919,354 U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 11/919,354, filed October 26, 2007, and its ongoing prosecution history, including without limitation Office Actions, Amendments, Remarks, and any other potentially relevant documents (SMNPH.016APC)	Filing Date 10/26/2007	Blott et al.	
	25	U.S. App. No. 12/066,578 U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 12/066,578, filed October 10, 2008, and its ongoing prosecution history, including without limitation Office Actions, Amendments, Remarks, and any other potentially relevant documents (SMNPH.017APC)	Filing Date 10/10/2008	Blott et al.	
	26	2009/0143753 U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 12/066,730, filed October 9, 2008, published as 2009/0143753, and its ongoing prosecution history, including without limitation Office Actions, Amendments, Remarks, and any other potentially relevant documents (SMNPH.018APC)	06/04/2009	Blott et al.	

Examiner Signature	Date Considered
<p>*Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.</p>	

T¹ - Place a check mark in this area when an English language Translation is attached.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT		Application No.	10/575,875
		Filing Date	February 1, 2007
		First Named Inventor	Patrick Lewis Blott
		Art Unit	3761
(Multiple sheets used when necessary)		Examiner	Ilya Y. Treyger
SHEET 6 OF 7		Attorney Docket No.	SMNPH.004APC

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials	Cite No.	Document Number <i>Number - Kind Code (if known)</i> Example: 1,234,567 B1	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant	Pages, Columns, Lines Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
	27	U.S. App. No. 12/066,585 U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 12/066,585, filed September 29, 2008, and its ongoing prosecution history, including without limitation Office Actions, Amendments, Remarks, and any other potentially relevant documents (SMNPH.019APC)	Filing Date 09/29/2008	Blott et al.	
	28	U.S. App. No. 12/300,636 U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 12/300,636, filed November 12, 2008, and its ongoing prosecution history, including without limitation Office Actions, Amendments, Remarks, and any other potentially relevant documents (SMNPH.022APC)	Filing Date 11/12/2008	Fry et al.	
	29	2004/0073151 U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 10/652,100, filed August 28, 2003, published as 2004/0073151, and its ongoing prosecution history, including without limitation Office Actions, Amendments, Remarks, and any other potentially relevant documents (BLSKY.011A)	Filing Date 08/28/2003	Weston	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials	Cite No.	Foreign Patent Document <i>Country Code-Number-Kind Code</i> Example: JP 1234567 A1	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant	Pages, Columns, Lines Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T ¹
	30	EP 0 777 504 B1	08/21/1995	Lina et al.		

Examiner Signature	Date Considered
<p>*Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.</p>	

T¹ - Place a check mark in this area when an English language Translation is attached.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT		Application No.	10/575,875
		Filing Date	February 1, 2007
		First Named Inventor	Patrick Lewis Blott
		Art Unit	3761
(Multiple sheets used when necessary)		Examiner	Ilya Y. Treyger
SHEET 7 OF 7		Attorney Docket No.	SMNPH.004APC

	31	EP 0 853 950 B1	08/21/1995	Lina, et al.		
	32	GB 2195255 A	04/07/1988	Thorn et al.		
	33	SU 1251912 A1	04/27/1983	Solovev, V.A., et al.		

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials	Cite No.	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T ¹
	34	BAGAUTDINOV, N.A., "Variant of External Vacuum Aspiration in the Treatment of Purulent Diseases of Soft Tissues," in current Problems in Modern Clinical Surgery: Interdepartmental Collection, edited by V. Ye. Volkov et al. (Chuvashia State University, Cheboksary, USSR 1986) pp. 94-96 (with English translation)	✓
	35	SOLOVEV, V. A., et al., "The Method of Treatment of Immature External Fistulas in the Upper Gastrointestinal Tract - Guidelines" USSR Ministry of Health, S. M. Kirov Gorky State Medical Institute, 1987 (with English Translation)	✓
	36	Examinarion Report for International Application No. PCT/GB2004/004564, date of mailing June 11, 2008 (SMNPH.004APC) in 3 pages	
	37	Reply to Examination Report, dated June 11, 2008 for International Application No. PCT/GB2004/004564, date of mailing December 11, 2008 (SMNPH.004APC) in 7 pages	

7781139
090909

Examiner Signature	Date Considered
*Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.	

T¹ - Place a check mark in this area when an English language Translation is attached.